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 Applicant Krishnamoorthy, et al.
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 Examiner Anita Choudhary
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 10 Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SECURELY DOWNLOADING
 FIRMWARE TO STORAGE DEVICES AND MANAGING DEVICES
 IN A CLIENT SERVER ARCHITECTURE

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 20, 2004

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is in response to the Final Office Action mailed
 May 20, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application in accordance
 25 with the directions set forth below.

Amendments to the claims are listed starting on page 2 of this correspondence.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this correspondence.

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